

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified application are respectfully requested. Claims 2-20, 22 and 23 are now pending, wherein claims 1 and 21 have been canceled, and claims 2 and 22 have been amended into independent form.

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's approval of the new title.

In the fifth paragraph of the Office Action claims 1-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,509,908 to Croy et al. ("Croy"). This ground of rejection is respectfully traversed.

Croy does not anticipate Applicant's claim 2, because Croy does not disclose all of the elements of Applicant's claim 2. For example, Croy does not disclose a main device, which includes an "access destination storage means for storing the identification code of said remote controller device and the access destination in a one-to-one correspondence" as recited in Applicant's claim 2. Additionally, Croy does not disclose a main device, which includes an access serving means which serves "as means for accessing the access destination corresponding to the identification code received from said remote controller device" as recited in Applicant's claim 2.

Croy discloses a personal navigator system, which includes a base station 100 and a remote device 200. The Office Action asserts that column 4, lines 38-46 of Croy "suggests that the main device further includes access destination storage means for storing the identification code of said remote controller device and the access destination in a one-to-one correspondence." It is noted that claim 2 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) for anticipation. A rejection for anticipation requires that Croy expressly, or inherently, disclose all of the elements of a claim. Accordingly, by relying upon what Croy "suggests", it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of Applicant's claim 2 as being anticipated by Croy is improper.

Nevertheless, it is respectfully submitted that column 4, lines 38-46 of Croy does not disclose the access destination storage means recited in

Applicant's claim 2. The cited section of Croy discloses that the base station 100 or the remote device 200 stores a unique identification number. However, the cited section does not disclose an access destination storage means, which stores "the identification code of said remote controller device and the access destination in a one-to-one correspondence."

The Office Action also relies upon the aforementioned section of Croy as allegedly disclosing an access means which serves "as means for accessing the access destination corresponding to the identification code received from said remote controller device." However, this section does not mention an identification code received from a remote control device. Accordingly, this section cannot disclose an access means which serves "as means for accessing the access destination corresponding to the identification code received from said remote controller device" as recited in Applicant's claim 2.

Because Croy does not disclose all of the elements of Applicant's claim 2, Croy cannot anticipate Applicant's claim 2. Claims 3-5 and 7-19 variously depend from Applicant's claim 2, and hence, are not anticipated by Croy for at least those reasons stated above with regard to Applicant's claim 2.

Croy does not anticipate Applicant's claim 6 because Croy does not disclose that "said information sending means of said main device sends the information to said remote controller device at an information sending destination after appending the identification code of said remote controller device to the information" as recited in Applicant's claim 6.

The Office Action cites column 4, lines 38-46 of Croy as allegedly disclosing the aforementioned recitation in claim 6. As discussed above, this section of Croy discloses that base station 100 or remote device 200 stores a unique identification number. However, this section does not mention the base station 100 appending the unique identification code to information sent to remote device 200. Accordingly, this section cannot disclose that "said information sending means of said main device sends the information to said remote controller device at an information sending destination after appending the

identification code of said remote controller device to the information” as recited in Applicant’s claim 6.

Because Croy does not disclose all of the elements of Applicant’s claim 6, Croy does not anticipate Applicant’s claim 6. Claim 20 depends from claim 6, and hence, is not anticipated by Croy for at least those reasons stated above with regard to claim 6.

Croy does not anticipate Applicant’s claim 22 because Croy does not disclose “storing, by the main device, a setting for the portable remote controller device based on the display switching signal, wherein the determination of whether an output to the display device coupled to the main device is allowed is based on the stored setting” as recited in Applicant’s claim 22.

To reject this elements of Applicant’s claim 22, the Office Action cites column 6, line 65 to column 7, line 13 of Croy. This section of Croy discusses that the remote device 200 can be configured “to not list programs or to disable switching to a channel showing a program above or below a particular quality or threshold.” However, this section does not even mention the base station 100, and hence, this section does not disclose the base station storing “a setting for the portable remote controller device based on the display switching signal, wherein the determination of whether an output to the display device coupled to the main device is allowed is based on the stored setting” as recited in Applicant’s claim 22.

Because Croy does not disclose all of the elements of Applicant’s claim 22, Croy does not anticipate Applicant’s claim 22. Claim 23 depends from claim 22, and hence, is not anticipated by Croy for at least those reasons stated above with regard to claim 22.

For at least those reasons stated above, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of claims 1-23 as allegedly being anticipated by Croy be withdrawn.

All outstanding objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in immediate condition for allowance. Notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. If there are any

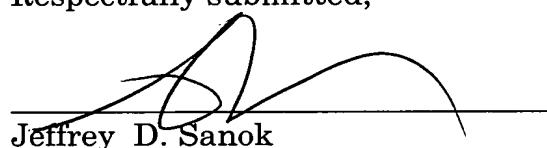
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questions regarding this response or the application in general, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket # 038849.49341US).

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